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Title : Locking Device for a Vehicle Door

**REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated January 4, 2005.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 10 of this paper.